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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS HINTS AT CRITICISM OF TURKEY

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1. INCREASE IN SOVIET PRESS'S NEGATIVE (THOUGH STILL INDIRECT) REFERENCES TO TURKEY'S ROLE IN CURRENT CYPRUS SITUATION SEEMS TO BE FALLOUT FROM APPARENT MINIMAL SUCCESS OF IL'ICHEV MISSION TO ANKARA.

2. TASS, IN AN OVERALL POSITIVE COMMENT ON THE RESULTS OF THE DENKTASH-CLERIDES TALKS (PRAVDA SEPTEMBER 17), NOTED THAT THE SITUATION ON THE ISLAND REMAINS TENSE AND SAID THAT TURKISH MILITARY FLIGHT OVER NICOSIA AND OTHER REGIONS HAD STRENGTHENED
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THE FEELING OF ALARM AND INSECURITY

AMONG GREEK CYPRIOTS.

3. ALONG SIMILAR LINES, PRAVDA (SEPTEMBER 19) CARRIED TWO STORIES CRITICIZING (THROUGH GREEK CYPRIOT SPOKESMAN) TURKISH MILITARY PRESENCE ON CYPRUS AS OBSTACLE TO SETTLEMENT. ARTICLE REPORTING POLITBURO MEMBER SUSLOV'S TALKS WITH AKEL DELEGATION (SUMMARIZED TASS ENGLISH WIRE SEPTEMBER 18) CITED GENERAL SECRETARY PAPAIOANNU AS CHARGING THAT "MAIN PROBLEM IS REMOVAL OF ALL FOREIGN FORCES, INCLUDING TURKISH FORCES, FROM CYPRUS" AND REPORTED (AMONG OTHER SOVIET VIEWS) SUPPORT FOR AKEL STRUGGLE AGAINST "FOREIGN MILITARY INTERVENTION." SEPARATE TASS STORY ON CLERIDES PRESS CONFERENCE ALSO PICKED UP CRITICAL COMMENT ON TURKISH ACTIVITIES, QUOTING CYPRIOT AS SAYING THERE SHOULD BE NO ILLUSION THAT CYPRUS PROBLEM CAN BE SOLVED WHILE "40 PER CENT OF COUNTRY'S TERRITORY IS OCCUPIED BY TURKISH ARMY AND 200,000 GREEK CYPRIOTS ARE FORCED TO SUFFER THE FATE OF PERMANENT REFUGEES."

4. COMMENT: TURKISH EMBASSY HERE CONTINUES TO TAKE RELAXED VIEW OF SOVIET PUBLIC COVERAGE OF CYPRUS. MOST RECENTLY, AT TURKISH EMBASSY RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 18 TWO TURKISH EMBOFFS ACKNOWLEDGED PERCEPTIBLE SYMPATHY FOR GREECE AND GREEK CYPRIOTS IN SOVIET PRESS, BUT DENIED THAT THIS INDICATED ANY SHIFT IN SOVIET "UNDERSTANDING" FOR TURKISH POSITION. WHILE THIS SNIPPING AT TURKS PROBABLY REFLECTS CONTINUING SOVIET UNHAPPINESS WITH ANKARA'S LACK OF ENTHUSIASM FOR SOVIET EFFORTS TO INTERNATIONALIZE THE CYPRUS NEGOTIATIONS, SOVIET PUBLIC COMMENT REMAINS MEASURED AND DOES NOT APPEAR TO INDICATE A SERIOUS WORSENING OF SOVIET-TURKISH RELATIONS OVER CYPRUS.
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